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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

The status identifier of claim 17 has been changed from "Currently Amended" to --Previously Presented--.

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

A tire tread wear forecasting method comprising the step of forecasting the tire wear based on a temperature differential that is calculated by subtracting the temperature of the tread surface part before the tire is rotated from the temperature of the tread surface part after rotation begins or based on the measured increase in temperature (see independent claim 1).

A tire tread wear forecasting apparatus comprising a calculating device for calculating temperature differences of the temperature measurements from a first of the temperature measurements and the temperature measurements from a second of the temperature measurements of the tread surface part (see independent claim 12).

A tire tread wear forecasting apparatus comprising a compensator that corrects at least the measured temperature based on the length of the tire contact surface that has been input by the inputter (see independent claim 13).

The Examiner's reasons for allowance for claims 15 and 16 are stated in the last Office action, dated 7/20/04. The Examiner's reasons for allowance for claim 17 are stated in the Office action dated 3/4/03.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mirellys Jagan whose telephone number is 571-272-2247. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 11AM to 5PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Diego Gutierrez can be reached on 571-272-2245. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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